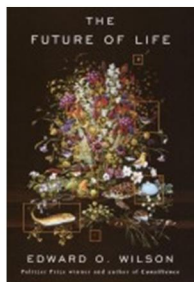


Reading Discoveries

The **SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY MUSEUM** introduces: **READING DISCOVERIES BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP**

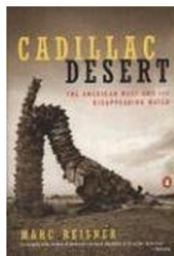
Come and enjoy invigorating discussion while meeting new people. Selected titles appeal to a variety of readers, maintain a high quality of scholarship, and advance the museum's mission. Everyone is welcome to the gathering, whether you've read the book or not. (However, we can't promise not to give the "plot" away!) Barnes & Noble in Redlands is stocking the books on our list. They are located in the Citrus Plaza retail center at Alabama and Lugonia.

Discussions take place at 7:30 pm on dates given, in the Museum Education Center. The Museum is located at 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands; California St. exit from I-10. More information at 909-307-2669 x252 or jredvale@sbcm.sbcounty.gov



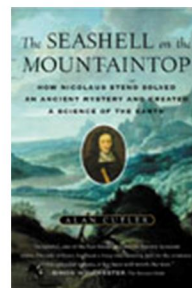
February 13 The Future of Life by Edward O. Wilson

This book by the prominent sociobiologist and conservationist assesses the precarious state of Earth's biodiversity, and offers an upbeat plan to turn the table on disaster while there is still time. Wilson is a prominent scientist and writer who has won the Pulitzer Prize twice, and began his eloquent career studying ants. This book will surely stimulate a lively discussion on a very timely topic.



March 12 Cadillac Desert: The American West and its Disappearing Water by Mark Reisner

Many recognize this classic about one of our most essential resources, water. Written in 1986, the book explores the history of development in the West and water as an essential resource that was largely discounted during the boom period. With water issues becoming increasingly intense in many parts of the country, a return to this classic may inspire readers to creative and timely solutions.



April 9 The Seashell on the Mountaintop by Alan Cutler

Subtitled, "A Story of Science, Sainthood, and the Humble Genius who Discovered a New History of the Earth," this book recounts the work of Nicolaus Steno, the 18th century scientist-turned-priest who explored the nature of the Earth by looking for clues in the visible layers of the landscape. The book explores the science as well as the history of this bold visionary who lived at a time when radical scientific ideas were tempered by religious propensity.